



Lester S. Bippus, Sr.

Lester S. Bippus, Sr., 87, of Mountville, died Wednesday morning at Homestead Village after a brief illness. He was the beloved husband of Betty Jane Eshelman Bippus with whom he would have celebrated 62 years of marriage on December 24th.

Born in Chestnut Hill, West Hempfield Township, he was the son of the late Andrew B. and Mary Singer Bippus. He retired in 1983 from the Burnham Corporation in Lancaster where he worked as a welder for over 30 years.

Lester honorably served his country during WWII in the Army Air Corp. where he was decorated with the Asiatic Pacific Theatre Service Medal with 2 Bronze Stars for his actions while serving in Central Burma.

He was a lifelong member of the Concordia Evangelical Lutheran Church and belonged to the Dry Run American Legion Post. An avid outdoorsman, he belonged to the Whispering Pines Hunting Camp and was a boating enthusiast for over twenty years. Along with his wife Betty, he enjoyed traveling, making frequent trips to Nova Scotia, Cape Breton, Prince Edward Island, Bermuda, Williamsburg VA and Ocean City, MD.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by his son, Jack E. Bippus, Sr. and his wife Mimi Sigworth, Manheim, and a grandson, Jack E. Bippus, Jr. A sister, Elsie Groff, of Columbia also survives. A son, Lester S., Jr., and sister, Anna Bippus, preceded him in death.

A private memorial service will be held at the convenience of the family. If desired, memorial contributions in Lester's memory may be made to Hospice of Lancaster County, PO Box 4125, Lancaster, PA 17604-4125. The family is being served by the Clyde W. Kraft Funeral Home, Inc.